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DIARY NOTES

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10 May 1954

1. Ed Saunders reported that he had made available the additional [ ] requested by [ ] for research and development projects conducted by the Technical Services Staff.

2. I asked Ed again to prepare tentative allocations of our Fiscal Year 1955 money to Agency components. Final allocations probably will not be made until after our June obligations are recorded. However, I emphasized the necessity of being able to put out tentative instructions shortly after the Senate acts on our budget. I am assuming, of course, that the Senate will approve of the same amount that has already been approved by the House.

3. Talked to Ed again about the [ ] of 1952 money which is about to lapse because of [ ]. We agreed that we should refer this to the General Counsel in order to make sure that there is no way of getting around this point.

4. [ ] Chief of the Transportation Division, was in to say good-bye. His last day of duty with us is on Friday of this week and his next assignment will be in Germany with the Army.

5. I advised Jim Garrison that I could not approve of the staff study concerning the merger of our Reproduction Plant at [ ] with the South Building GPO Plant because there were many questions to be answered which had not been answered as yet. I told him that I thought it would be very premature to write a letter to Senator Jenner until we had all the facts ironed out. In this connection I telephoned Ray Blattenburger, the Public Printer, who had never heard of the proposed merger. I arranged to see him sometime on Wednesday to discuss the matter.

6. Dr. Tietjen was over to brief me on the cases of [ ] who are having some complications due to a change in the minimum active duty service required with the Army.

Apparently there was a time when no specific period of active duty was required and we were getting officers such as [ ] called to active duty, then getting them released and arranging with the Department of Defense to give them equivalent military service.

In the case of [ ], he was on active duty for a short period and, based upon his understanding that he had discharged his obligation, he extended on [ ] for several months. Now we find that in order to avoid his

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being recalled under the Doctors Draft Act he will have to serve additional time on active duty. Dr. Tietjen proposed two plans: (1) To let [ ] go now and arrange with the Department of Defense to have him recalled to active duty for a brief period at a time which would be more convenient for his personal plans, or, (2) let him remain on active duty long enough to discharge his obligation, in which case we would agree to allow him to go to school in Pennsylvania about the first of August and remain on our rolls until he had completed his active duty period.

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The [ ] case is similar.

7. Dr. Tietjen said that he had been giving some thought to the problem raised at last week's Staff Meeting concerning keeping in touch with our employees overseas. He is convinced that the best way to do this is to provide a communications channel for career service boards here so that they can contact personnel overseas who have their career designations without going through the area divisions.

8. [ ] telephoned to inquire whether or not I had released [ ] without any reservation. I told him that I had not and would not until a replacement satisfactory to me had been selected. In this connection Harry Reynolds had proposed two names as possible replacements. One of these I rejected and the other I said I would be willing to consider if I could persuade [ ] to release him.

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DEPUTY CHIEF MEETING

Monday, 10 May 1954

PRESENT: Messrs. Dulles, Wisner, Amory, Colonel White, Messrs.  
Kirkpatrick, Roosevelt, Bissell and

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Mr. Dulles:

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d. Noted a State Cable from Saigon (#2244) and asked Mr. Wisner to have a look at this message.

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Mr. Dulles (Continued):

[REDACTED]

h. Asked Mr. Kirkpatrick to draft an appropriate letter to [REDACTED] who is leaving the Agency. Mr. Kirkpatrick noted that [REDACTED] had agreed to remain on our roles for at least a year in an LROP status.

Mr. Wisner:

Reported we had heard nothing [REDACTED] during the last eighteen hours and asked DD/I to determine whether there was any information picked up through "OCI channels".

Mr. Amory:

a. Referred to a letter from [REDACTED]

The Director noted he had just finished dictating a letter to [REDACTED] on this subject which indicated, in fact, that this agreement was one between [REDACTED] and we had never been consulted. Mr. Amory undertook to review the Director's proposed reply to [REDACTED]

b. Referred to a letter to Mr. Angleton which the Director had shown him, and suggested that excerpts from this communication would be of interest to the members of the IAC. Mr. Wisner said he had seen this letter and in all probability we could disseminate portions of it as suggested by DD/I, provided the source was not revealed.

Mr. Kirkpatrick:

a. Reported the Director had received a letter from [REDACTED] which in substance gave the reasons for his resignation from the Agency. The Director asked Mr. Wisner to have an appropriate reply drafted for his signature.

b. Reported that Messrs. Houston and [REDACTED] had met with Charlie Grimes, Chief Counsel of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, and discussed [REDACTED] with him.

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